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TAGS: CASC(SNITCHER, RICHARD RANDOLPH)

SUBJECT: W/W RICHARD RANDOLPH SNITCHER

REF: QUITO 6758

1. DEPARTMENT PREPARED TO AUTHORIZE REPATRIATION LOAN FOR RICHARD RANDOLPH SNITCHER ONCE POST REPORTS HE IS FREE TO LEAVE ECUADOR.
2. HOWEVER, REGARDING POST'S EXPRESSED INTENTIONS OF INTERCEDING IN SNITCHER'S BEHALF (PARA TWO REFTEL), DEPARTMENT DOES NOT CONSIDER ANY ACTION OTHER THAN INFORMAL INQUIRY INTO HIS STATUS APPROPRIATE. WE CANNOT APPROVE PAYMENT OF FINE UNDER REPATRIATION LOAN REGULATIONS AND THEREFORE CANNOT JUSTIFY REPRESENTATION THAT FRIENDLY USG BEING PUNISHED.
3. SNITCHER'S SISTER HAS WRITTEN TO DEPARTMENT STATING SHE CANNOT ASSIST HIM FINANCIALLY.
4. DEPARTMENT HOPES THAT THIS DECISION DOES NOT CAUSE EXTREME HARDSHIP TO SNITCHER BUT MUST ADVISE POST THAT SHOULD HE BE DETAINED OR SUFFER OTHER MISFORTUNE, USG

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ACTION IN HIS BEHALF MUST BE LIMITED TO NORMAL CONSULAR

FUNCTIONS. ROBINSON

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